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## FAX SHEET

DELIVER TO: Linn County Auditor PHONE: 1-319-892-5300

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MESSAGE: This is a Courtesy Reminder: Iowa law requires that your board of supervisors publish a notice in the newspaper and submit the board's master matrix scoring and recommendation for the construction permit application of the confinement feeding operation, as explained in the attached letter. Please take note of the deadlines. If you have any questions, please call.

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# STATE OF IOWA

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
CHUCK GIPP, DIRECTOR

July 18, 2016

Linn County Board of Supervisors  
c/o County Auditor  
Via facsimile and email

**REF: Public Notice, Matrix Evaluation and County's Recommendation Required  
DNR's Facility ID No. 65553**

Dear Board of Supervisors:

The DNR has received a construction permit application for a confinement feeding operation:

Facility name: **High Side Pork Site**

Date received by the DNR: 07/18/2016

Under Iowa law, for this application the County is required to complete the following actions:

1. Publish a public notice (see example on page following this letter) in a newspaper having a general circulation in the county no later than 08/01/2016 (within 14 days of DNR's receipt of the application) and furnish proof of publication to the DNR:

Note: A public hearing is not required, but it is optional. However, if the board chooses to have a public hearing, it is recommended to include in the notice the date, time and place for the hearing.

2. Score the applicant's Master Matrix and submit the board's scoring and recommendation regarding this application. A sample cover letter is attached. The county must submit to the DNR all of the following:
  - A) A recommendation to approve or to disapprove the application.
  - B) The Boards scoring of the Matrix, including all supporting calculations.
  - C) Proof of publication of Public Notice.

**Your recommendation and Matrix score must be received by the DNR no later than 08/17/2016 (30 days after DNR received the application).**

NOTE: If the County does not submit the Matrix score and recommendation by the deadline, the DNR will not consider any subsequent County's scoring of the Matrix or recommendation until the next time the County is eligible to adopt a construction evaluation resolution.

3. The board may submit comments or may forward comments from the public, which must be **received** by DNR no later than 08/17/2016. Comments received after that date due will not be considered. Comments may include but are not limited to the following:
- a. The existence of an object or location not included in the application that benefits from a separation distance requirement as provided in section 459.202 or 459.204 or 459.310 of the Code of Iowa.
  - b. The suitability of soils and the hydrology of the site where construction of a confinement feeding operation structure is proposed.
  - c. The availability of land for the application of manure originating from the confinement feeding operation.
  - d. Whether the construction of a proposed confinement feeding operation structure will impede drainage through established tile lines, laterals, or other improvements which are constructed to facilitate the drainage of land not owned by the person applying for the construction permit.
4. The proof of publication, County's recommendation, a copy of the Matrix as scored by the board and any public comments must be **received** by IDNR no later than 08/17/2016. To ensure timely submittal, we recommend that you also **fax or scan and email** proof of publication, County's recommendation and a copy of the Matrix as scored by the board to:

Send to:



Iowa DNR  
Field Office #3  
1900 N Grand Ave  
Gateway North, Suite E17  
Spencer, IA 51301  
Attn: Paul Petitti



Iowa DNR  
Field Office #2  
2300 15<sup>th</sup> St SW  
Mason City, IA 50401  
Attn: Cindy Garza

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641/424-4073

If you have any questions about this process, please contact Paul or Cindy.

Sincerely,

**Field Services and Compliance Bureau**



Paul Petitti

# PUBLIC NOTICE

*(This section is to be completed by the applicant)*

The Linn County Board of Supervisors, has received a construction permit application for a confinement feeding operation, more specifically described as follows:

Name of Applicant: High Side Pork, LLC

Location of the proposed construction: Section 30 of Maine Township.

Type of confinement feeding operation structure<sup>‡</sup> proposed: Four new deep pit swine confinement buildings at an existing swine confinement facility.

Animal Unit Capacity of the Confinement Operation after Construction: 1729.10 animal units.(2664 head of gestating swine, 580 head of farrowing swine, 755 head of swine gilts and 1295 head of nursery swine)

*(This section is to be completed by the county)*

Examination: The application is on file at the County \_\_\_\_\_ Office and is available for public inspection during the following days:

\_\_\_\_\_ and hours: \_\_\_\_\_ am to \_\_\_\_\_pm.

Comments: Written comments may be filed at the County \_\_\_\_\_ Office, until the following deadline: \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>‡</sup> A confinement feeding operation structure = a confinement building with a below the floor concrete pit; confinement building with an earthen basin or anaerobic lagoon; aboveground steel tank, etc. (see definition in footnote 1, page 1 of this application form).

**Letterhead for County Board of Supervisors**

Address, town, Iowa  
COURTHOUSE: # FAX: #  
Supervisors

\_\_\_\_\_ County Master Matrix Scoring & Recommendation

The \_\_\_\_\_ County Board of Supervisors have reviewed the Master Matrix and Construction Permit Application for \_\_\_\_\_

Public Notice was published on \_\_/\_\_/\_\_ and the proof of publication is attached.

Matrix as scored by \_\_\_\_\_ County = \_\_\_\_\_ points. **Passing / Failing** (Circle One)

If the County scored matrix is different than submitted then the County scored matrix is attached with justifications ☐

Supplemental letters or documentation is being sent to DNR ☐

Upon review and inspection of construction site and documents provided, we the \_\_\_\_\_ County Board of Supervisors recommend the permit application be **Approved / Disapproved** (Circle One)

**Comments or Reason for Disapproval:**

Signed:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

Date:

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